

JAMES, ALMIRA MOORE  
AND MARY MURDOCK  
DUKE



James Duke, eldest son of Jonathan Oldham and Mary Stone Duke, was born in Albany, New York, December 21, 1829. He married Almira Moore on October 10, 1851. They were parents of 11 children: James Moore, Almira Jane, Ethan Allen, Robert Stone, John Calvin, Joseph Moroni, Helaman, Mahonri M., Lamoni Roy, Bernice Gertrude, and Sarah.

James Duke married Mary Murdoch in October, 1868, as a plural wife. She and James were parents of eight children. James died at Wallsburg on the 20th of May, 1892.

With his parents, James Duke came to Nauvoo in 1840, and as a boy of 11 years he saw and heard Joseph and Hyrum Smith preach many times. He remembered many of the sufferings and persecutions of the Mormon people in and around Nauvoo.

In 1850 the family started for Utah. James was a teamster and hunter. He was taken down with mountain fever and they had to lay over until he was able to travel. They soon overtook the main company.

They lived the first winter in the Twelfth Ward in Salt Lake City, but in the spring of 1851 they moved to Provo and built a home. He worked as a mason and helped to build some of the first buildings in Provo.

In 1860 he came to Heber. He was president of the dramatic association for some years, also a prominent actor in early days, when people had to furnish their own entertainment. He was a drummer in the Territorial Militia during the Black Hawk War, in 1866 and 1867. He sometimes acted as an Indian interpreter. He built the old Heber tithing office and President Hatch's first house in Heber. He also had a farm.

In October, 1868, he married Mary Murdoch as a plural wife, and she bore him eight children, named in their mother's history.

He built a home in Wallsburg for his first wife and family. He was a very friendly man and was one of the main promoters of amusements in early days. He was a member of the High Priests' Quorum, and was a firm believer in the Gospel. Although he never received much of this world's goods, he was rich in kind words and deeds, and the love and goodwill of all his associates.

MARY M. MURDOCK  
DUKE RYAN



Mary M. Murdoch Duke Ryan was born in a small tent on the bank of a stream about nine miles from Kansas City. A terrible thunderstorm was raging when she was born. She was the third child. The two older children had died a short time before of cholera. The pioneer camp was quarantined for the disease. Mary's mother was very sick, but with the help of the Lord she was soon able to walk and carry her baby to Salt Lake City. It was nine months from the time they left Scotland until they arrived at their destination. They lived in Salt Lake City for eight years before coming to Heber.

She endured a typical pioneer's life in rearing her family. She was a good dressmaker and was able to take care of her family well until they were able to care for themselves. Then she lived with Dr. David Crawford Lindsay, caring for their baby until they left Heber. Later she went to care for David Keith Jr. She took a world tour with the Keiths. She lived with them until young David needed a governess. After returning to Heber she married

William Ryan and lived several happy years until her death.

*Builder of  
Tithing Office  
Abram Hatch 1st Home  
Homes in Wallsburg*

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Built Tithing Office  
Abe Hatch 1st Home  
Home in Wallsburg*

**HUSBAND**

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HUSBAND'S FATHER

**HUSBAND'S  
OTHER WIVES**

HUSBAND'S  
MOTHER \_\_\_\_\_

## WIFE

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WIFE'S FATHER

WIFE'S OTHER HUSBANDS

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### SOURCES OF INFORMATION

OTHER MARRIAGES

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Stake or Mission



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Survived by wife, Midway; sons: A Fenton, Golden, Colo.; and Gerald N., Bountiful, Utah. Eight grandchildren, 10 great

Sisters: Walter; Mrs. Theo (Lucy) Daybell; Mrs. Martha Slaughter, all of Midway, Utah; and Mrs. Otto (Freda) Baker, Salt Lake City. Preceded in death by sons Grant and Allan and sister Alice Thurgood.

Funeral services were held Monday (1:00 p.m.) at the Midway 2nd Ward Chapel. Burial - Midway Cemetery.

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Ellsworth L. Gardner

Our beloved husband, father, grandfather, and great grandfather, Ellsworth L. Gardner, 72, left this world on February 18th, 1986, to once again walk hand in hand with his father, mother, and son.

Born in Wallsburg, Utah, on September 26th, 1913, to George Albert and Ada Ellen (Penrod) Gardner. Married Violet (Davis) Gardner on October 19th, 1934, in Wallsburg, Utah, where they have resided for 52 years. During those years he worked as a self-employed farmer and rancher, construction worker, and shepherd.

Survived by: wife, Violet, Wallsburg; five sons and daughters-in-law, one daughter and son-in-law. Wayne and Jane Gardner, Wallsburg; Benny and Judy Gardner, Charleston, Garth and Linda Gardner, Sylmar, California, Larry and Annette Gardner, Heber City; Jack and Kathleen Thompson, Wallsburg; Doyle and Darla Gardner, Heber City. One brother, Glen Gardner, Lehi; two sisters, Ethel Wall and Mrs. Wayne (Emeda) Taylor, both from Wallsburg. Twenty-eight grandchildren, and seven great grandchildren, all of whom he dearly loved.

Preceded in death by a son, Devar and daughter, Violet.

Funeral services will be held Friday, February 21st, at the Wallsburg Ward Chapel, at 11 A.M. Friends and family may call at Olpin Mortuary, Thursday evening, from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. and at the chapel one hour prior to services. Interment, Wallsburg Cemetery.

PLACES: Sharon, Windsor, Vt.

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HUSBAND'S FATHER \_\_\_\_\_

HUSBAND'S OTHER WIVES \_\_\_\_\_

(Construction engineer, Mission pres)

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HUSBAND'S  
MOTHER \_\_\_\_\_

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YES ☐

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DATE SUBMITTED TO GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

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CHILDREN TO PARENTS

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SOURCES OF INFORMATION

OTHER MARRIAGES

NECESSARY EXPLANATIONS

## Ray Gertsch

MIDWAY, Wasatch County—Ray Gertsch, age 71, died July 1, 1985 in Midway of a heart attack.

Born June 21, 1914 in Midway to Conrad and Elise Durttschi Gertsch. Married Maeda Murri February 21, 1941 in the Salt Lake LDS Temple. Active High Priest in the LDS church.

Temple Ordinance Worker, Utah Councilman, LDS Bishopric 19 years, Scout Leader, served Swiss German Mission; served in World War II for four years. Active in Civic Affairs, he served as President of the Midway Boosters Club, member Midway Town Board. He was a construction worker and farmer.

Survived by wife, Midway; children, Mrs. John (Bonnie) Lund, Salt Lake City; Bp. Lyle R. Gertsch, Midway; Mrs. Roger (Carolyn) Bratt, St. Anthony, Idaho; Laren Gertsch, Midway; Ellen Gertsch, Salt Lake City; Ralph C. Gertsch, Atlanta, Georgia; Mrs. Bryan (Lynda) Call, Payson; LaNae Gertsch, Logan; 27 grandchildren; sisters and brothers, Mrs. Dick (Lucy) Thompson, Jerry Gertsch, Leo Gertsch, all Midway; Mrs. Ermel (Lena) Morton, Rexburg, Idaho; Mrs. Ross (Helen) Berg, Basalt, Idaho.

Funeral services Friday, July 5, 1985 1:00 p.m. Midway Third Ward Chapel. Friends may call at Olpin Mortuary, Thursday 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. and at the church Friday prior to service. Burial: Midway Cemetery.

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He was a construction worker and farmer.

He was active in the LDS Church and he was a High Priest, Temple ordinance worker, high councilman, in the bishopric for 19 years and scout leader.

He served a Swiss German Mission, served in World War II for four years and was Midway Boosters President and on the Midway town board.

Survivors include his wife of Midway, five daughters and three sons: Mrs. John (Bonnie) Lund, and Ellen Gertsch, both of Salt Lake City; Lyle R. Gertsch and Laren Gertsch, both of Midway; Mrs. Roger (Carolyn) Bratt, St. Anthony, Idaho; Ralph C. Gertsch, Atlanta, Ga.; Mrs. Bryan (Lynda) Call, Payson; and LaNae Gertsch, Logan; 27 grandchildren; and three sisters and two brothers: Mrs. Dick (Lucy) Thompson and Mrs. Ermel (Lena) Morton, both of Rexburg, Idaho; Mrs. Ross (Helen) Berg, Basalt, Idaho; and Jerry Gertsch and Leo Gertsch, Midway.

Services will be 1 p.m. Friday at the Midway 3rd Ward Church, 160 W. Main, Midway. Friends may call 7-9 p.m. Thursday at the Olpin Mortuary, 288 N. Main, Heber City, and at the church one hour before services Friday.

Burial will be in Midway Cemetery.



Ray Gertsch

Brown Hill



PLATE 11  
FAMILY GROUP RECORD

HUSBAND  
Born 2 Nov 1917 Place Payson, Utah  
Chr. \_\_\_\_\_ Place \_\_\_\_\_  
Mar. 17 May 1957 Place Midway, Wasatch, Utah  
Died 14 Dec 1982 Place Heber, Wasatch Co Hosp., Utah  
Bur. 17 Dec 1982 Place Midway, Wasatch, Utah  
HUSBAND'S FATHER Jasper Franklin HILL  
HUSBAND'S MOTHER Alice Mary FINLAYSON  
OTHER WIVES (1) 20 Oct 1937 (div) Edith CURTIS

WIFE (2) Eva VAN WAGONER

Born \_\_\_\_\_ Place \_\_\_\_\_  
Chr. \_\_\_\_\_ Place \_\_\_\_\_  
Died \_\_\_\_\_ Place \_\_\_\_\_  
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WIFE'S FATHER \_\_\_\_\_ WIFE'S MOTHER \_\_\_\_\_  
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SOURCES OF INFORMATION \_\_\_\_\_ OTHER MARRIAGES \_\_\_\_\_

Lynn F HILL 1914  
Eva VAN WAGONER

### Obituaries



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Funeral services Friday, 1:00 P.M. Heber 6th Ward Chapel. Friends may call at Olpin Mortuary Thursday 7-9 P.M. and at the Church Friday 1 hour prior. Burial Midway Cemetery.

Heber City, Lynn F. Hill 68, died December 14, 1982 in a Heber City Hospital. Born November 2, 1914 in Payson to Jasper Franklin and Alice Mary Finlayson Hill.  
Married Edith Curtis October 20, 1937 in Spanish Fork. Divorced. Married Eva VanWagoner, May 17, 1957 in Midway.  
Construction Worker and employee of Brent Hill Corporation.  
Survived by wife of Heber City; Children: J. Lynn Hill, Bountiful; Brent C. Hill, Midway; Mrs. Norman (Jonean) Skiba, Provo. 11 grandchildren. Brothers and Sisters: Rulon Hill and Mrs. Cleon (Vida) Moore and Mrs. Kathle (Edith) Tischner all of Payson; Mrs. Leslie (Dora) Cloward and Mrs. Mel (Nelda) Hanks both of Salem; F. LeRoy Hill, Spanish Fork. Mrs. Buss

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Component Home

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3. Complete package from framing to cabinets.

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Anna Elizabeth Huber. Born November 1, 1840, in Dottnacht, Switzerland. Married Mary Magdalena Munz October 18, 1863, in Payson. Died November 16, 1914, in Midway.

Mary Magdalena Munz, daughter of Heinrich Munz and Elizabeth Munz. Both had same surname. Born January 26, 1843, at Dantzhansen, Canton Turgau, Switzerland. Died July 19, 1935, Midway.

John Huber immigrated to Utah in 1863, leaving Switzerland on May 3. The ship, *Antarctic*, carried 300 passengers and was on the ocean 49 days.

He crossed the plains with the Peter Nebecker Company, arriving on October 13, 1863. On October 18, 1863, John Huber and Mary Magdalena Munz were married at the Payson home of John Diem, with Bishop Fairbanks performing the ceremony. He was met at Payson by his mother and stepfather, Martin and Anna Elizabeth Naegeli, who had immigrated in 1861.

In the Spring of 1864 John Huber and his wife moved to Provo Valley, where the first settlers had come in 1859-60. They located in the upper settlement of Mound City. They lived in a log house near the old Schuetter home. A baby boy was born in October, but died, and was buried in the first cemetery on the hill.

In 1868 Mr. Huber and most able-bodied men found well-paid employment on the Union Pacific Railroad, approaching Green River. Many men brought home wagons, stoves, teams, etc. John Huber and Jacob Buehler operated one of the first saw mills on Snake Creek, west of the Provo River. Logs were hauled from surrounding mountains and sawed into lumber. In 1870 a house was partly built for the family when Mr. Huber was called on a mission to Switzerland. He left April 17, 1871 and returned July 4, 1874. He served as president of the Swiss mission. He helped to translate the

## JOHN AND MARY MAGDLENA MUNZ HUBER

John Huber, son of Johannes Huber and

## HOW BEAUTIFUL UPON THE MOUNTAINS

Book of Mormon from the English to the German language and was editor of the Millennial Star.

The farm was located up Snake Creek. Soon after, the family moved from Snake Creek to Little Cottonwood where he worked as weighmaster at the stone quarry. The stones were loaded, shipped, and delivered to Salt Lake City for building of the Salt Lake Temple. Two years later Mr. Huber moved to Salt Lake, and later returned to Midway and the farm.

Mr. Huber was a prominent citizen taking part in most community projects of varied interests: He was a Black Hawk War veteran, agent for Wasatch and Jordan Valley railroad, census taker from 1880-1900, member of the school board for 24 years, secretary of the Midway Irrigation Company for 10 years, Justice of the Peace for two years, agent for crop reporting for the U.S. Department of Agriculture, teacher of a class in penmanship. He compiled a history of Midway Ward from 1859 to 1900, and took the school census.

Mr. Huber was an accomplished musician. He composed many poems and set the words to music. He organized a choir, a male chorus, glee club, and furnished music for church, conferences, ward entertainments, and funerals.

He was ward clerk for thirty years from 1878 to 1908 and was known for the almost perfect records he kept.

Mr. Huber built several houses in Midway, some of which are still standing. He and his family—sons, grandsons, and granddaughters—served 43 years in the mission fields.

Mary Magdalena was the third of five children in her family. The family was religiously inclined, claiming membership in the Church of the Reformation.

When Mary was seven her mother died, and she grew up with a step-mother, attending school and learning household duties. At the age of 20 she became intensely interested in The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. With a close friend, Amelia Stumpf, she would walk a distance of eight miles to hear the missionaries preach.

Mary was baptized a member of the Church April 15, 1861. In the meantime, her brother Conrad and sister Bertha came to America, and she and her friend Amelia followed in 1863. They traveled by train to

the rest of the way to Salt Lake. At Chimney Rock, Mary and Amelia were walking arm in arm during a heavy storm, when lightning struck them. Amelia was killed, and Mary knocked unconscious. She was revived and rode part of the way in a wagon after that.

The company, headed by John Huber, landed in Salt Lake September 24, 1863, and Mary went to Payson where her grandparents Naegeli had settled two years earlier. On October 23 she married John Huber and their first home was a large room where eight other people slept on the floor every night. John worked at a cannery in Payson.

In the spring of 1864 John and Mary moved to Midway, living with Dr. John Gerber and family.

During her husband's missionary service, his work in Salt Lake and all his labors in Midway, Mary stood by as a faithful wife and mother. She was a member of the first Relief Society in Midway, and served as a counselor to Elizabeth Wintch and also to Martha Bronson. She was an officer in the Relief Society for more than 20 years.

Mary maintained her home and farm on Snake Creek, where she died at the age of 93.

Children of John and Mary Huber are:

John Martin Huber, married Elizabeth Gertsch

Henry Albert Huber, married Margaret Abegglen

Mary Magdalena Huber Probst, married Jacob Probst

Emma Elizabeth Huber Gibson, married James Gibson

Eliza Otilla Huber Gibson, married Alexander Gibson

Matilda Huber

Nephi Huber, married Ann Bronson

Joseph Emanuel Huber

Ida Huber Abplanalp, married William Abplanalp.